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Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed October 4, 2002, please amend the
above-identified application as follows:

In The Claims

*Please replace claim 11 as shown below. A marked up version of the amended
claims is attached to this Amendment.*

A. *Subm* 11. (Amended) The method of claim 9 wherein the ablating step comprises
ablating substrate material so as to form multiple apertures and multiple side edges, wherein
the apertures and the side edges function as mechanical alignment features.

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